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SUBJECT: REQUEST OF INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL LICENSING

(IIL) FOR U.S. SUPPORT

REFERENCE: MISSION'S (A) 6788, NOVEMBER 7, 1974 AND

(B) 7598, DECEMBER 20, 1974

1. WE NOTE IN REFTTEL THAT QUESTION OF POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WIPO AND IIL WILL BE ONE ITEM ON AGENDA OF FORTHCOMING EDITORIAL CONSULTANT'S GROUP MEETING IN JANUARY. WE DO NOT PERCEIVE ANY INCOMPATIBILITY IN PRINCIPLE BETWEEN IIL'S PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND THE "WIPO LEGAL-TECHNICAL PROGRAM FOR THE ACQUISITION BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF TECHNOLOGY RELATED TO INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY." EVEN THOUGH THE SCOPE OF THE IIL PROJECT GOES BEYOND THAT OF THE WIPO PROGRAM, WHICH IS CONCERNED BASICALLY WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE TWO ACTIVITIES ARE NEVERTHELESS RELATED IN BASIC SUBJECT MATTER AND PURPOSE. A CONTINUING INTERCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN WIPO AND IIL ON LICENSING PROPOSALS AND REQUESTS, AND ON DISSEMINATION TECHNIQUES, SHOULD BE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL.

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2. ALSO NOTED IS IIL DIRECTOR FRANCK'S REQUEST FOR AN

OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN HIS WIPO CONSULTATIVE RELATIONSHIP PLAN TO THE EDITORIAL CONSULTANTS GROUP MEETING. THE MISSION IS REQUESTED TO INFORM WIPO THAT SINCE THIS IS A

MEETING OF SELECTED COUNTRY EXPERTS CALLED BY WIPO TO ADVISE IT ON POSSIBLE PUBLICATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL PERIODICAL ON LICENSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPING

COUNTRIES, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO INVITE FRANCK, OR ANY OTHER PRIVATE PARTY, TO ATTEND THIS SPECIAL MEETING ARRANGED BY WIPO. REQUESTS TO ATTEND THIS MEETING SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO WIPO WHICH HAS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DETERMINING THE COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS TO BE REPRESENTED. WE WOULD NOT HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO FRANCK ATTENDING THAT PORTION OF THE MEETING RELATED TO THE IIL PROPOSAL.

3. WE DO NOTE, HOWEVER, IN REF (B), PARA 2, THAT IIL IS MAINLY INTERESTED IN ASSISTING FIRMS IN DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. IF IIL IS TO UNDERTAKE A MEANINGFUL COLLABORATIVE EFFORT WITH WIPO ON THE "LEGAL-TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM," IT WOULD APPEAR NECESSARY FOR IIL ALSO TO DEVELOP A POSITIVE PROGRAM FOR PUBLICIZING LICENSING OPPORTUNITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND ASSISTING ENTERPRISES THEREIN IN ACQUIRING INFORMATION ON FOREIGN AVAILABILITIES.

4. WINTER (EB/CBA) DID NOT RECEIVE COPIES OF FRANCK'S LETTER TO MISSION, AS NOTED IN PARA. 6 REF (A). HOWEVER, COMMERCE'S FOREIGN INVESTMENT SERVICES STAFF RECEIVED LETTER OF OCTOBER 30, 1974 DIRECTLY FROM FRANCK FULLY DETAILING HIS PROPOSALS FOR COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES WITH WIPO AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. KISSINGER

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